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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to temporary unemployment for purposes of
2 eligibility for unemployment compensation benefits.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 96.1A, subsection 37, paragraph c, Code
2 2023, is amended to read as follows:

3 c. An individual shall be deemed "*temporarily unemployed*"
4 if for a period, verified by the department, ~~not to exceed~~
5 ~~four consecutive weeks~~, the individual is unemployed due
6 to a plant shutdown, vacation, inventory, lack of work, or
7 emergency from the individual's regular job or trade in which
8 the individual worked full-time and will again work full-time,
9 if the individual's employment, although temporarily suspended,
10 has not been terminated.

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EXPLANATION

12 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
13 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

14 This bill strikes a requirement that a period of temporary
15 unemployment, for purposes of eligibility for unemployment
16 benefits, cannot exceed four weeks. An individual who is
17 temporarily unemployed is exempt from registering for work at
18 an employment office and from being able to work, available for
19 work, and earnestly and actively seeking work in order to be
20 eligible for unemployment benefits.